

ANOTHER MAN IS KILLED

Douglas Jennings Shoots Roy Howard Twice in the Back at Lagonda

Douglas Jennings, aged 59 years, is in the county jail held for the killing of Roy Howard, a man about 40 years of age Friday evening, July 24. The affair happened near the Chariton river banks in the farthest north west part of the county, 2 1/2 miles northeast of Lagonda and 30 miles from Keytesville. Jennings shot Howard twice with a ten-gage shotgun and the victim died half an hour later.

The tragedy followed a quarrel. Howard said a few words to Jennings who walked to a tree ten feet away against which was leaning his shotgun and fired both barrels. Reports indicate that Howard was running from Jennings when the shots were fired as both took effect in the back.

The coroner's jury met at the home of Clayton Howard at noon Sunday and the result of the inquiry was that the jury decided the killing was unjustifiable. Jennings was held awaiting trial.

There is said to have been bad blood between the Howards and Jennings for some time. There have been several cases in the courts recently involving some of the members of these families. The shooting Friday was the culmination of a kind of feud resulting from the enmity of the two factions.

The reports indicate that Friday afternoon, Mrs. Howard led a mule to water in the Chariton, going through Jennings' land or some land in his possession in which he had cattle pastured. He objected to the Howards passing through his land and Jennings is said to have gone to

the river and reproached Mrs. Howard rather strongly for coming through the lot. Mrs. Howard told her husband when he returned from a point where had been delivering some mine props that he had been cutting in the timber.

Upon being told of the affair, Howard went to Jennings and asked him about it. Just what passed in words is not told here but the end of it was when Jennings went for his shotgun, turned and fired both barrels into Howard's back. Jennings was about 40 feet from Howard when he fired. After the shooting Jennings went about his business and it is reported sent word that the first man that came there would be killed.

No one bothered Jennings until Saturday morning. Deputy Sheriff Hurt went there in Cropper's automobile Friday night but waited until Saturday morning until 7 o'clock before he made the arrest. Jennings made no resistance. He seemed to regard his neighbors with more disfavor than the sheriff and was more relieved than anything else when the sheriff arrived. He was brought here and placed in jail.

The sheriff suggested that Jennings go to the inquest Sunday but he did not care to make the trip as he said he might have trouble with the residents of that district in case he was seen there.

Jennings is a big man, said to be the biggest man in the county. He weighs 318 lbs. and is considerably over six feet tall. He lives with his family, wife and four children on the banks of the Chariton. The killing occurred near the Jennings home on the edge of a former lake, the dry bed of which is overgrown with buckbrush, the lake formerly covering about 80 acres of land. Jennings said that Howard was coming at him with

a double-edge axe and he shot in self defence. The deputy sheriff did not go to the site of the killing as Howard's body had been removed to his home before he got there and he did not see the axe.

Howard is a married man and about 40 years of age and also has a family.

The Jennings-Howard trouble dates back a year or two when one of the Howards became involved in a case with a young woman, related to and living with Jennings. There is said also to have been another legal case involving the Howards and Jennings at Prairie Hill.

Jennings remains in jail. The finding of the coroner's jury renders a preliminary hearing unnecessary and he will be held to the next term of court. There is little likelihood that Jennings can give bond.

Monday the Hottest.

Monday was the hottest day yet. Reliable thermometers at 4 o'clock p. m. were as high as 106 degrees in the shade and one thermometer in the sun went to 123 degrees. This registered 90 degrees in a store but went up 33 degrees in the sun. These thermometers are good ones as thermometers go and are usually considered accurate. That means that the fellow in the sun was in an atmosphere heated to 25 degrees above blood heat. It requires a lot of radiation in the form of perspiration to stand the heat and fortunate is the man or woman who likes to drink water this kind of weather. This weather also is good for the laundries. Corn also is said to be benefitted by this weather. If there is anything else, no one has said anything about it.

Reward for Burton.

A reward of \$100 it is said has been offered for the apprehension of Tony Burton wanted for a killing a Namrash two weeks ago.

McKittrick's Salisbury Speech
The following address was delivered by Candidate for Prosecuting Attorney, Roy McKittrick, at Salisbury, on July 25th:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I feel that I owe you an apology for being here this evening. I started a campaign four months ago with the intention of not making any speeches, but making a house to house canvass. I did not feel like asking the voters to come to see me, therefore I have been going to them.

I am here tonight for the reason that Mr. Rucker's friends all over this county have been accusing me of being a coward—that I was afraid to meet him in a joint discussion. The only reason that I am here is to convince Mr. Rucker and his friends that they have been misrepresenting my real reason for not making speeches, and this is the only speech that I shall make during this campaign.

There are no issues between Mr. Rucker and myself. We are both asking for the Democratic nomination for the office of Prosecuting Attorney of this county. I dislike a mud-slinging campaign and say to you now, Mr. Rucker, that I have not been using any mud in this campaign, and I challenge you to point to a single place or instance where I have. I have not a word to say against you or your official record. Your record is a matter that any citizen who wishes to, can find out as much as I can and I leave that to the people. The voters gave you a chance to make this record, and whatever it is, I leave it to them to pass upon.

The only question between Mr. Rucker and myself is the question of tenure in office. Let us glance back through the cycle of time and find where the rule on this question originated. It originated with the foundation of this government. It originated with George Washington. The battle of Yorktown where Cornwallis surrendered to Washington was not Washington's greatest battle. The greatest battle which Washington won for America was when the people went to him to accept the third term. He told them no. He felt that there were other men who could fill the position as well as he. He did not feel that he was the only man in the union who was competent to be president of the United States.

The first great apostle of democracy, Thos. Jefferson, felt that there were other men who could fill the office of president of the United States as well as he, and he said, "We Democrats are in favor of equal rights to all and special privileges to none," and I think he meant that declaration to apply to office holding as well as in other matters.

Another great apostle of Democracy, W. J. Bryan, wrote in the Democratic platform of 1896, that we are opposed to life tenure in public office. Read the Democratic platform made at Baltimore, and again you will see that Democracy is opposed to long tenure in office. Big men of the Democratic party and big men of other parties have all thought and believed that the door of opportunity should be open to all, and that no man should be permitted to elevate himself to the exclusion of his fellowmen, and the Holy Writ teaches us that whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased.

Friends I made the campaign four years ago for this office and was defeated by a narrow margin. I took the stump for Mr. Rucker and the Democratic ticket at the next election. I recognize the Democratic rule and did not oppose him for a second term. I thought then and think now that he was entitled to a second term, but I do not think and I believe you do not think that he is entitled to

New Atlas of Chariton County

A new atlas and plat book of Chariton County is to be issued, work on it already having been begun. It will be a complete plat book of the county, exclusive of towns, and will contain an outline map of the county showing locations of townships, cities, villages, churches, school houses, railroads, streams, school districts, plats of the different townships in separate maps, showing farms, their area, and names of owners. In addition to this a map of all rural routes of the county, public roads, etc. will be shown. No efforts will be spared to make the work complete and as near correct as possible. Solicitors will carry with them blue prints of the different townships and verify the work right on the grounds. Farmers and others are asked to assist them as much as possible in locating roads, streams, division lines, etc.

The work will be issued by Tuttle & Pike, civil engineers of Kansas City, and Geo. Scott Printing Co. Publishers. Tuttle & Pike have been located in Kansas City for 29 years and their work throughout this section is well known.

A work of this nature has not been issued in this county since 1897, and at that time the books sold for \$12.50 and \$15.00. They were well gotten up and while some of the information therein is correct at the present time, so many changes have taken place since that the book has lost most of its value.

A work of this kind requires a great deal of labor but when complete is valuable not only to business men but to every land owner in the county. The price of the work will be but \$8.00 and as only a sufficient number will be issued to supply those subscribing orders should be placed with the solicitor when called upon. No money is asked for until the books are delivered.

hold office continually. Why claim to especial preference? Is he so much better or abler than all the rest of mankind that it would be calamitous to place their office in any other hands? My countrymen! You have children growing up! Friends who have families! Have boys in your home! If these should have ambition to become Prosecuting Attorney of Chariton county, I say to you now, go to your boy and put your arms around his neck and let your tears mingle with his, then whisper these words into his ear. "My son there is no hope, because the only man in Chariton county who is competent, who is capable, who is worthy to be Prosecuting Attorney is Roy W. Rucker."

This is not my fight alone. It is yours. It is your son's fight. If Mr. Rucker's position is sustained, then the chances of your son are limited.

I want to say to you now that if I am successful at the polls one week from Tuesday, that whatever success that I may have as Prosecuting Attorney I will not ask the Democrats of this county for more than the second term. I will not crush the hopes of some other boy. For my part, I will be ready to give him a chance.

An argument that Mr. Rucker uses is that because they have raised the salary of the Prosecuting Attorney he is entitled to another term. Now I want to state to you, that I am not a Democrat for revenue only, and if at the end of my second term, the salary has been increased to \$5,000 or even \$10,000, I will not ask you for a third term, for I am a Democrat and stand upon Democratic principles and all that I ask is the same chance I am willing to give others. All I ask is a trial. Why should I be convicted, more than he of

incompetency, without a trial? Why should any Chariton county youth be convicted without a trial?

The fundamental principle of our government is that every man is entitled to a trial. Why should some of Mr. Rucker's friends say that I am not competent and that I won't enforce the laws? All I am asking is a chance, the same thing he sought and received at your hands four years ago, and if I am successful in this election, then I will convince them that they are mistaken.

I leave this question with you whether or not I be convicted of incompetency without a trial. I have great confidence in the voters of Chariton county. I do not believe that I will be convicted without an opportunity to prove myself, and that on Tuesday week, I will be given a chance to make my record. I thank you. Adv.

Miss Eatherton Gets Piano

The voting contest of the piano at Sigloch's ended at 7:30 p. m. Saturday. The piano went to Miss Luella Eatherton, living near Pee Dee who had 5,971,900 votes. The second was Pearlita Latham but she was quite a distance behind the leader. Bringing up the rear in the following order were Anna Eliza Cook, Leonard Sisters, Glennie Carter, Gladys Williams, Elsie Horton, Mary E. Smith, Zettie Wright and Myrtle Friesz. The contest has been on for nearly a year.

A Public Argument

There was a loud and lengthy argument on the street Saturday in which it is said one of the arguers stated she had hit another woman. Whether or not blows were struck the atmosphere surrounding the bunch was a little torrid for a while and the audience seems to be getting all the benefit possible from the statements of the voluble contestants.

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